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Dear Esther and Josh

I was delighted by your recent letter with all its details of Grabar's visit in Madison. A lot of people from our lab is visiting you, I understand and Wisconsin is, more than ever, a big center.

This letter is speedily sent to you as I just realize that Jacques Monod has been visiting you, now. Did he gave you the Chinese "estampage" and the little catalogue, as he was supposed to do so; if I ask you this question it is because we know his absent-mindedness and I would be much disappointed if he had forgotten. We do like these Chinese engravings, Suzan and I, very much, and we hope it will suit well your new house.

As you probably know, I am now back from a little convalescence trip in the Midi and very anxious to go back to work heavily, as I have in my mind so many things I planned to do during all these months of semi-inactivity: before anything else I want to push the purification of the neurotoxin of the Cobra venom and get an answer about it being the same fraction as the lecithinase of the venom and also to confirm that it is really a small polypeptide molecule. The second direction being the study of the lecithinase-anti lecithinase reaction which I am just beginning.

I have been promoted, recently, a member of the Pasteur Institute and I hope it will help me in getting more financial help in my work, it is also morally nice to get into this good old family house, despite all its little struggles, specially after 9 years during which I was working in its lab without being a member of the staff.

I will look around for the Pasteur's work and also will ask the main French Scientific publishers to send you theirs catalogues.

I have no ideas about the flagella as antigenic specificity in Salmonella but I guess that an immunological analysis in gels may be of interest to study it. I will ask Oudin what he thinks of the prospect?

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Thank you for your reprints , I will read them with great interest, as far as I can understand, as some of your work is rather far from my field

I mail this letter in a hurry , as I want to get the next mail.

Yours, as ever

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